SPP-MISO Monthly Conference Call
April 20th, 2015

• M e e t i n g M i n u t e s •
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. CDT

1) Administrative Items
The JPC approved the March meeting minutes.

Completed action items from the March meeting included developing a draft template for tracking Generation Interconnection study coordination efforts, scheduling a conference call for MISO and SPP staff to discuss the Dynamics assessment as part of the Coordinated System Plan, and MISO providing information to SPP on the modeling of MISO member submitted projects.

2) IPSAC Meetings
The next meeting is scheduled for May 6th in Little Rock. The registration has been set up and is available on SPP’s website. Next steps include developing a draft agenda and compiling materials needed for presentations.

3) Coordinated Studies
The JPC was given an update on CSP study progress. Staff has performed a 20 year analysis on all economic projects passing the screening phase. Currently there is focus on two projects that show a good B/C ratio and good benefits to both MISO and SPP. The second project is a variation of the first. MISO and SPP staff continue to validate the results which could result in additional projects showing benefit as well as some projects that were previously showing benefit no longer meeting the interregional criteria.

The team working on the reliability assessment has finished evaluating the stakeholder submissions and the review of the regional projects to determine if the interregional solutions are potentially more efficient or cost effective than the regional projects. Staff is verifying the issues that each project addresses. The dynamics model has been merged and staff is reviewing the model for accuracy. MISO and SPP to schedule additional JPC meetings to review presentation materials ahead of the upcoming May 6th IPSAC meeting.

4) MTEP and ITP Status Updates
SPP completed their ITP Near Term study and ITP 10 in January 2015. The SPP Interregional Relations team is working on improvements to the ITP process to help identify interregional projects that may be better solutions than an SPP-only project. Typically SPP filters out their first tier neighbors’ needs. The ITP Near Term interregional enhancements would include SPP staff posting their analysis of SPP’s first tier neighbors’ needs and ask stakeholders to submit interregional projects that could address both SPP needs as well as needs on the first tier neighbor’s system into the SPP regional study for evaluation. MISO would like to review the MISO needs before SPP posts them. An action item was taken for MISO to determine if they have any issue with the proposed change in SPP’s process.

MISO and SPP have initiated discussions regarding coordination efforts to comply with the new TPL-001-4 standard. The new standard requires each RTO to include a list of its neighbor’s contingencies in their annual TPL assessment. MISO and SPP have agreed upon the concept of using a pared down list of contingencies to provide their neighbors. A follow up meeting has been scheduled to discuss the details of how to rank contingencies. Future efforts this year will include a document detailing how the process will be conducted.

5) Models
SPP asked MISO which MTEP model reflected the new 600 MW load in South Louisiana. MISO is to verify if the load is in MTEP15 or MTEP16 models.

6) Generation Interconnections (that may affect the seam)
The tracking spreadsheet for coordination efforts has been developed. Future Generation interconnection studies which may impact the seam will be included in this spreadsheet for ease of status updates.

MISO is still working on edits to incorporate MISO stakeholder comments. Comments received were on the dates at which SPP provides requests to MISO and MISO must provide impact study results back to SPP.

7) Transmission Service Requests (that may affect the seam)
None.

8) Generation Retirements (that may affect the seam)
None.

9) Transmission projects (that may affect the seam)
None.

10) Policy Issues Affecting the seam
FERC approved the extension request to push back the filing deadline from April 20 to August 18.

Staff updated the JPC on where they were regarding discussions of how to comply with FERC Order 1000 directives. In regards to the coordination procedures, MISO and SPP agree on how to comply with revising the definition of an interregional project to include reliability and public policy needs, including transmission issue as a defined term, removing the requirement of supporting analysis when submitting a transmission issue potentially including language on a description of the issue instead of supporting analysis, including definitions of how the IPSAC voting procedures will occur, and revising the section of the SPP-MISO JOA to state that an interregional project must be approved by both Parties as outlined in their respective Tariffs.

MISO and SPP staffs have discussed conceptual ideas on how to comply with the cost allocation directives. These discussions will continue to be ongoing over the coming months to meet the August 18, 2015 filing deadline.

MISO asked SPP to look into any potential changes to the WAUE net schedule interchange due to the IS integration. MISO would like to verify this value for their Loss of Load Expectation studies.

11) New Business
   None.